## Axecutive Proclamation State of South Dakota

## Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, In 1952, Congress, with the National Day of Prayer Committee, instituted the annual observance of National Prayer Day in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, Interest in such a project was no doubt inspired by a proclamation written in 1863 by  $\ell$  braham Lincoln, w ich declared April 30th a national day of humiliation, fasting and prayer; and,

WHEREAS, For over thirty years now, concerned citizens and civic leaders have organized a day in spring when Americans are asked to bow their heads in humility and thanksgiving; and,

WHEREAS, This year, all over the country, activity will grind to a halt at noon on May 5th, when citizens will "Take 5 at 12"; that is, for five minutes at the beginning of the noon hour, people from all walks of life will pause in prayer for their nation and their fellow man; and,

WHEREAS, National Prayer Day officials hope that this five minute break from the day's schedule will have a revitalizing and spiritually awakening impact on our people and our nation:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 5, 1983, as

DAY OF PRAYER

In South Dakota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

KILLIAM J. JAPAKLOW, GOVERNOR

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